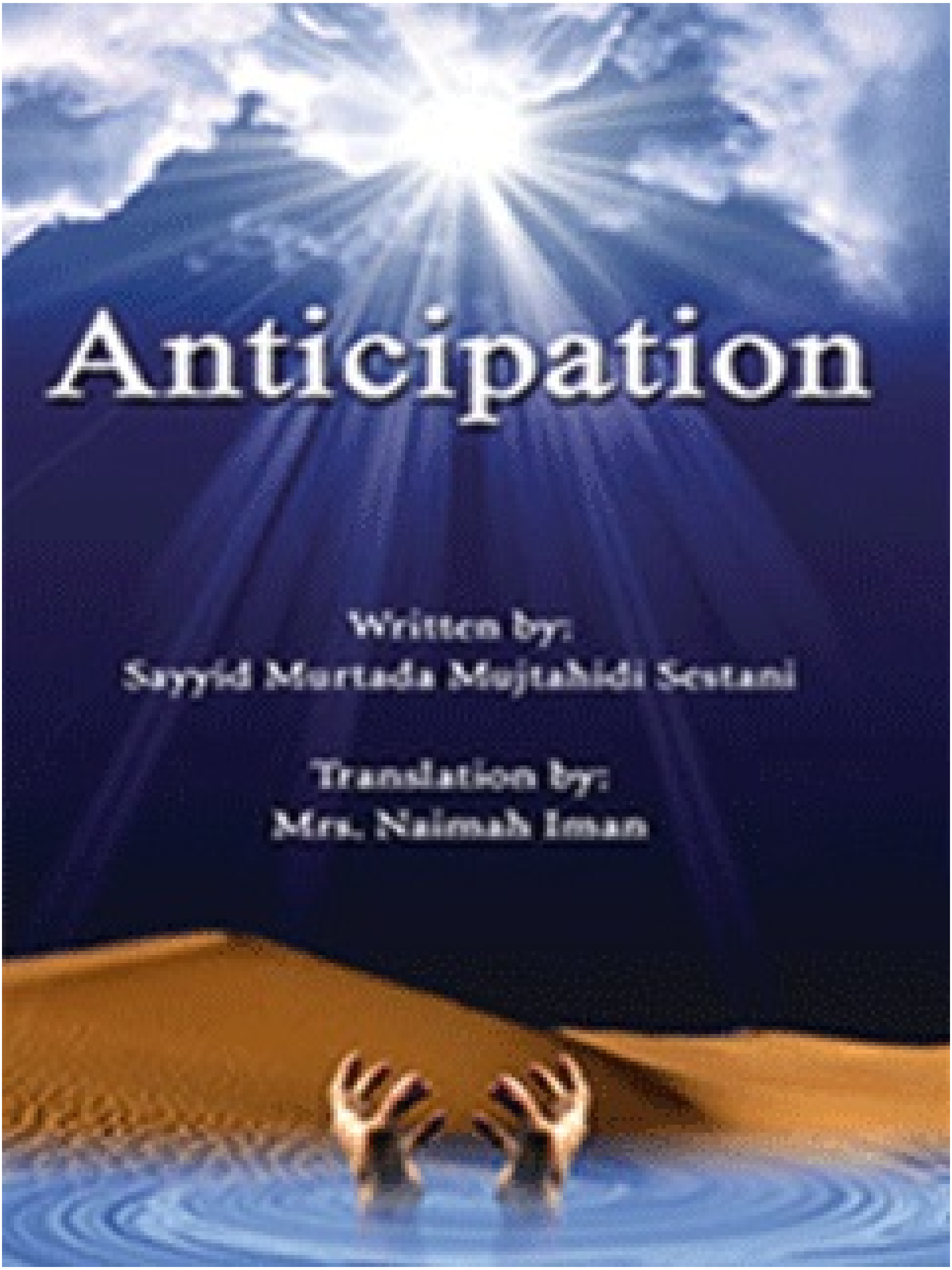

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INTRODUCTION

All Praise is due to Allah and May He send down His choicest blessings on Muhammad and his Holy Progeny. The present book is a translation of a chapter by the name of Anticipation from the valuable two-volume book called Secrets of Success by Hujjatul .(Islam wal Muslimin Sayyid Murtada Mujtahidi Sestani (May Allah Protect him

The author of the book in addition to the mentioned book has authored many other valuable books in the service of Islam and the Ahlul Bayt (AS) which have, as a result, guided many of those on the path to Truth and towards their being able to drink from the clear spring of the Islamic Sciences. This is such that his works have become a .foundation and base for those in search of excellence and knowledge

The chapter on Anticipation of the reappearance of the Imam of the Age (AS) has been translated and printed into many languages namely Urdu, Arabic etc but the people of the West, whose main language is English, have been deprived of the benefit of this work. It is for this reason that we requested that Mrs. Naimah Iman translate this section of this valuable work into English so that all of the oppressed people under the leadership of tyrants, who have been deprived of the benefit of Islamic knowledge can be enlightened so that the despots of the world can recognize .that the exploited people are not alone and never will be alone

It is hoped that by

grasping onto the delightful rope of the Qur'an and the Ahlul Bayt (AS) that they can create the fragrant atmosphere of hope and anticipation so that the Islamic world can also exude this aromatic fragrance and all can benefit from the cool breeze of divine .beneficence and can intelligently follow and understand the divine laws

(وَ لَقَدْ كَتَبْنَا فِي الزَّبُوْرِ مِنْ بَعْدِ الذِّكْرِ اَنَّ

الْاَرْضَ يَرِثُهَا عِبَادِيَ الصَّالِحُوْنَ)

Before this we wrote in the Psalms after the Message (given to Moses): My servants ".the righteous, shall inherit the earth

In anticipation of that fragrant day

InshAllah

Muhammad Hussain Haidry

Anticipation

Hazrat Ali(AS) has said

اَفْضَلُ عِبَادَهِ الْمُؤْمِنِ اِنْتِظَارُ فَرَجِ اللهِ

The best worship of the believer is to have Anticipation for the reappearance of the" ".Mahdi(AS) from Allah

Value of Anticipation

Anticipation is one of the excellent characteristics of people on the road to success. Because as states in the precious words by the "Household of Revelation" concerning the characteristics of the great men during the period of occultation, "The upright ".ones in anticipation are the best of people of all times

In this way some of the people-with a complete understanding of the issue of anticipation-consider it the most important factor today, and they believe that man can find all comprehensive and complete factors within "true anticipation", as a result

of which man can take off in flight in the spiritual heavens and can save themselves .from social difficulties and mental entanglements

Anticipation, in its true and complete sense is a difficult state, which is said to be surrounded by secret halos and only a few righteous men can attain it completely and .not fall into the traps of the enemy

Anticipation, at its highest and final level- which exists within the special companions of the Imam of the Age (AS)- means readiness and using extraordinary powers for implementing the heavenly organization and service in the way of the heavenly .(government of the Holy Imam (AS

Anticipation at any stage that it may occur is a type of inner help from the unseen world, a way closer to God and if it continues and becomes complete, with the passage of time, it destroys

the darkness which exists within the depths and the interiors of man and in his unconscious self (nafs). It also serves to illuminate the shutters of light and brightness of man's inner self and in this way opens the way for perfection to him. Therefore Anticipation is a state of readiness in all the necessary dimensions and attracts man's inner attention to the world of purity, sincerity and light; the world where all satanic and evil potentials are destroyed, and divine light shines within the souls of all people .all over the universe

Considering this fact, we can say that the person who holds extraordinary powers is one who has taken steps towards the elevated stages on the path of anticipation. Because as we know the government of the Imam of the Age (AS) is a heavenly and extraordinary one, the understanding of which is beyond human perception, and the companions of the Imam (AS) must assemble around him and make themselves present in the front line to assist and be men of action and have the necessary .extraordinary powers required to submit to the great Imam's (AS) divine orders

The traditions concerning the characteristics and qualities of the ٣١٣ persons who make up the elite helpers of the Imam of the Age (AS) introduce them as having .extraordinary spiritual powers even in the period of occultation

Factors of Anticipation

We must endeavor to understand the true meaning of Anticipation and investigate .this state within others and ourselves

There are many ways in which we can gain awareness of the issue

of Anticipation and in learning and expressing its greatness to others, by whose utilization we can bring about the state of Anticipation within the society and create the seed for the belief in Anticipation within its members. We will mention some of the most important ways by which the society can become drawn to the issue of Anticipation.

١. Familiarity with the esteemed position of Wilayat (guardianship) and awareness of the greatness of the Imam of the Age (AS).

٢. Familiarity with the amazing affects of Anticipation in its complete meaning and sublime states.

٣. Familiarity with the characteristics and qualities of the companions of the Imam of the Age (AS) who reached the highest stage of Anticipation and benefited from great spiritual powers and followed the orders of the Imam of the Age (AS).

۴. Familiarity with the world, man's future, the significant changes and happenings in the lives of the people at the time' of the reappearance.

Knowledge of the status of the Imam of the Age (AS), knowing the elite companions of the Imam (AS), perfect intellects, scientific perfection, connection to the unseen world, familiarity with unknown creatures, journeys to the skies and far away places and other such issues are things which call mankind towards the issue of the reappearance of the Imam of the Age (AS), and create the state of Anticipation and readiness in them for the magnificent and amazing government of the Imam (AS).

Knowledge and awareness about such realities, brings about excitement and happiness within the hearts and souls of all pure-hearted people and makes them fascinated

by the prospect of those days. Within the society it also creates a state of Anticipation and expectation for the reappearance, which is an obvious responsibility of every .man

.We will now embark on an explanation of the mentioned topics

(Familiarity with the status of the Imam(AS

Familiarity with the characteristics and qualities of the Imam of the Age (AS) and paying attention to the greatness of this personality are important factors and .motives in creation the state of Anticipation

Noting that all over the universe, in the entire created world, there is no one worthy of leading and reforming the world except him, attracts man to the Imam (AS). This great personality is the last divine store and the only remainder of the leaders (Amirs) :of the world, about whom Amir al Mu'minin (AS) has said

عِلْمُ الاَنْبِيَاءِ فِى عِلْمِهِمْ وَ سِرِّ الاَوْصِيَاءِ فِى سِرِّهِمْ وَعِزِّالاَوْلِيَاءِ فِى عِزِّهِمْ، كَالْقَطْرَهِ فِى الْبَحْرِ وَ الذَّرَّهِ فِى الْقَفْرِ.

The knowledge of the Prophets in comparison to his knowledge, and the secrets of" the (Walis) guardians in comparison to his secrets, and the honor of the saints in ".comparison to his honor are like drops in the ocean and grains in the desert

Now that we are in the period of the last of the great personalities, considering his excellence and by following his guidance, we can save ourselves from darkness and ignorance and while anticipating the coming of his government, count down the days .(i.e.) wait anxiously until that flag of guidance and justice will be flown in the world

If someone becomes familiar with

this great personality, in these times and becomes aware of the help of the Imam of the Age (AS) in the period of occultation and the changes which will take place around the world and within man himself at the time of his reappearance, he will always remember him, and in the same way that it has been ordered will always bask in the .sunrise of Anticipation of Wilayat

The knowledge of such a person removes the rust of ignorance from his heart and replaces it with purity and light. Consider the interesting tradition, which shows the unseen help of the Imam (AS) in the period of occultation. Jabir Ja'fi from Jabir Ibn :Abdullah Ansari relates from the Holy Prophet (SAW) that he said

ذَاکَ الَّذِی یَفْتَحُ اللهُ تَعَالی ذِکْرُهُ عَلَی یَدَیْهِ مَشَارِقَ الاَرْضِ وَ مَغَارِبَهَا ذَاکَ الَّذِی یَغِیْبُ عَنْ شِیْعَتِهِ وَ اَوْلِیَائِهِ غَیْبَهً لایَثْبُتُ فِیْهَا عَلَی الْقَوْلِ بِاِمَامَتِهِ اِلاَّ مَنْ اِمْتَحَنَ اللهُ قَلْبَهُ بِالاِیْمَانِ قَالَ: فَقَالَ جَابِرُ: یَا رَسُوْلَ اللهِ فَهَلْ یَنْتَفِعُ الشِّیْعَهُ بِهِ فِی غَیْبَتِهِ؟ فَقَالَ(ص): اَیْ وَالَّذِی بَعَثَنِی بِالنُّبُوَّهِ اَنَّهُمْ لَیَنْتَفِعُوْنَ بِهِ وَ یَسْتَضِیْئُوْنَ بِنُوْرِ وِلاَیَتِهِ فِی غَیْبَتِهِ کَانْتِفَاعِ النَّاسِ بِالشَّمْسِ وَ إِنْ جَلَّلَهَا السَّحَابُ، یَا جَابِرُ، هَذَا مَکْنُوْنُ سِرِّاللهِ وَ مَخْزُوْنُ عِلْمِهِ فَاکْتُمْهُ اِلاَّ عَنْ اَهْلِهِ.

He (Hazrat Mahdi [AS]) it is by whose hands Allah expands the lands of the East and" West. He it is who will become hidden from his early Shi'as such that there will be no real base for belief in the Imamate, other than for someone whose heart Allah has .tested for faith

Jabir Ja'fi says that Jabir Ibn

Abdullah Ansari said to the Prophet (SAW), O Prophet of Allah, would the Shi'as benefit from him in the period of occultation? The Prophet (SAW) answered, Yes, I swear by Allah who has commissioned me with the message, they will benefit from him in the period of occultation and will be enlightened by the light of his Wilayat in the same way that people benefit from the sun even though it is covered by clouds. O Jabir, this is of the divine secrets and of His storehouse of knowledge. Therefore hide it from all ".but those are not part of it

By swearing, the Holy Prophet (SAW) in this tradition emphasizes that the Shi'a will .receive light form the Imam (AS) at the time of his occultation

At the time of the occultation, even though the Imam (AS) is absent, in actuality, the veil of absence is in our hearts Rather Imam (AS) is a shining light and this is clear to .anyone whose heart is capable of seeing, even if he is apparently blind

Considering this fact, man can be guided to the position of Wilayat and to the power of this great personality and the love of the Imam of the Age (AS) can intoxicate hearts .and create the manifestation of the world government within man's heart

Familiarity with the effects of Anticipation

Escape from hopelessness and despair.١

In societies where religion plays no role and people are expectant of no greater future, despair in life, murder, bloodshed and suicide are frequently witnessed. This is because people see such negative factors as poverty, oppression, tyranny, infringement and

breaking of laws and distrust in man-made laws and they fail to find solutions and means of escape from such darkness. Because of this they become entangled in the difficulties of destructive despair and hopelessness, this being because they have no hope in God and the future and they view suicide as the way out of these problems. And by committing these crimes, they not only draw their present life and the .hereafter into ruin but also the future of their spouse, children and relatives also

But the person who has created the feeling of Anticipation within himself and at every moment is hopeful for the luminosity of the shining light of Wilayat to engulf the universe, is never willing to create such crimes and also is never willing to destroy the lives of many. Therefore this issue of Anticipation of the reappearance is a relief for him, and prepares a base for escape from despair and ruin. The following tradition is a .witness to this truth

عَنْ الْحَسَنِ بْنِ الْجَهْمِ قَالَ: سَأَلْتُ اَبَاالْحَسَنِ(ع) عَنْ شَيْءٍ مِنَ الْفَرَجِ، فَقَالَ(ع): اَوَلَسْتَ تَعْلَمُ اَنَّ اَنْتِظَارَ الْفَرَجِ مِنَ الْفَرَجِ؟ قُلْتُ: لاَ اَدْرِى اِلاَّ اَنْ تُعَلِّمَنِى. فَقَالَ(ع): نَعَمْ، اِنْتِظَارُ الْفَرَجِ مِنَ الْفَرَجِ.

Hassan Ibn Jahm says: I asked a question of Imam Musa Ibn Ja'far (AS) about the" reappearance. The Imam (AS) replied, "Do you not know that Anticipation of the reappearance is part of the reappearance." I said, "I would not have known had you not taught me." The Imam said, " Yes Anticipation of the reappearance is part of the

”.reappearance

Spiritual perfection.۲

Man, by establishing complete Anticipation, can create some of the states of the people of the time of the reappearance within himself, namely purity of heart, and with hope and anticipation save himself from despair and ruin. Imam Sadiq (AS) ;narrates from his ancestor Amir al Mu’minin (AS) who is quoted as saying

اَفْضَلُ عِبَادَهِ الْمُؤْمِنِ اِنْتِظَارُ فَرَجِ اللهِ

The best worship of the believer is to have Anticipation for the reappearance of the“ ”.Mahdi (AS) from Allah

Therefore as a result of the state of Anticipation man can create within himself, some of the effects of perfection of the time of the reappearance. For further explanation of this matter consider Imam Sajjad’s (AS) orders to Abi Khalid. Abi Khalid narrates ;from Ali Ibn Hussein (AS) where the Imam (AS) has said

عَنْ اَبِی خَالِدِ الْکَابُلِی عَنْ عَلِیِّ بْنِ الْحُسَیْنِ(ع): تَمْتَدُّ الْغَیْبَهُ بِوَلِیِّ اللهِ الثَّانِی عَشَرَ مِنْ اَوْصِیَاءِ رَسُوْلِ اللهِ(ص) وَ الاَئِمَّهِ بَعْدِهِ، یَا اَبَا خَالِدَ، اَنَّ اَهْلَ زَمَانِ غَیْبَتِهِ، اَلْقَائِلُوْنَ بِاِمَامَتِهِ الْمُنْتَظِرُوْنَ لِظُهُوْرِهِ اَفْضَلُ اَهْلِ کُلِّ زَمَانٍ، لاَنَّ اللهَ تَعَالَی ذِکْرُهُ اَعْطَاهُمْ مِنَ الْعُقُوْلِ وَ الاَفْهَامِ وَ الْمَعْرِفَهِ مَا صَارَتْ بِهِ الْغَیْبَهُ عِنْدَهُمْ بِمَنْزِلَهِ الْمُشَاهِدَهِ، وَ جَعَلَهُمْ فِی ذَالِکَ الزَّمَانِ بِمَنْزِلَهِ الْمُجَاهِدِیْنَ بَیْنَ یَدَیْ رَسُوْلِ اللهِ(ص) بِالسَّیْفِ، اُوْلئِکَ الْمُخْلَصُوْنَ حَقّاً، وَ شِیْعَتُنَا صِدْقاً، وَ الدُّعَاهُ اِلَی دِیْنِ اللهِ سِرّاً وَ جَهْراً، وَ قَالَ(ع): اِنْتِظَارُ الْفَرَجِ مِنْ اَعْظَمِ الْفَرَجِ.

The occultation will be extended by a guardian (Wali) appointed by Allah who is the “ ۱۲th of the guardians and Imams belonging to the family of the Holy Prophet (SAW) after him. O Abi Khalid, the people who will

be present at the time of his occultation and believe in his Imamate and await his reappearance, are better than people of any other period. Thus Allah (SWT) bestows them with so much intelligence, understanding and knowledge that absence to them is like witnessing and at that time they will be given the position equal to those who struggled (mujahideen) and fought with swords in the presence of the Holy Prophet (SAW). They are truly of the sincere and are of our true Shi'as who call people to the religion of God, both openly and privately." Then Imam Sajjad (AS) said, " Anticipation ".of the reappearance is part of the greatness of the reappearance

The righteous ones in Anticipation, who have attained perfection on the path because of their readiness for the government of Allah's unseen powers all over the universe, at the time of occultation, attain some of the personal qualities of the time of reappearance e.g. purity of heart, such that the dark period of occultation appears to .them as a time of presence and witnessing

If it did not affect them in such a way, then how can Anticipation of the reappearance ?be a great part of the reappearance

With the state of Anticipation, they bring together the period of reappearance and the period of occultation and they attain many of the states of that period during the .period of occultation

(The late Sheikh Ansari concerning the status of Imam of the Age (AS

At this point so that light can be shed on hearts, we

will mention some of the events of the life of a great personality in the Shi'a world, who by having unseen powers both openly and privately has embarked on assisting .God's religion

One of the students of the late Sheikh Ansari, concerning the relationship of the late Sheikh with the Imam of the Age (AS) and his honorable visits to the house of that :Hazrat has said

I had entered Kerbala to perform one of the particular pilgrimages of Hazrat Abi Abdullah Hussein (AS). I came out of my house a little after midnight to go to the bath and because the lanes were muddy, I took along a lamp with me. From afar I saw someone resembling Sheikh. Upon drawing nearer I confirmed that it was the Sheikh. I wondered where he was going at that time of the night especially since it was muddy and he also had weak eyesight. So that God forbid someone should ambush him, I followed him quietly until he arrived at the door of a ruined house, where he .read the Ziyarat Jameh with particular attention and then entered the house

I saw nothing after that but I heard the Sheikh's voice and it seemed that he was speaking to someone. I went to the bath, then to the harem and saw the Sheikh there. After the journey to Najaf I visited the Sheikh and related the incident of that night to him. First the Sheikh denied it, but after much insistence he said, " Sometimes in order to pay a

visit to the Imam of the Age (AS) I seek permission and go to the back door of the house which you will never find again, read Ziyarat Jameh and if permission is given (at that place), I visit the esteemed Imam (AS) and ask the necessary questions of the master”. The Sheikh said; “Until the time that I am alive keep this secret and reveal it ”.to no one

Such great and achieved personalities are ready and prepared for the reappearance of the Imam (AS) and not those who at the time of the reappearance will go to war .with the Imam (AS) by interpreting and explaining verses of the Holy Qur’an

The Secret of Success and Deprivation

It is possible that one can ask: How is it that the late Sheikh Ansari, whenever he was given permission, could go to the Imam of the Age’s (AS) house, read the Ziyarat ?Jameh and again with permission enter that house and speak to his beloved Imam

How did he attain such a status but his student who also saw the Imam’s (AS) house did not have such a privilege and the late Sheikh said to him; “ You will not find that ”.house again

This is an important question requiring a convincing answer. Unfortunately some have ready and quick answers for such questions, and in the face of such questions they quickly answer, “Allah wanted it to be so, or Allah (God forbid) has a special relationship with some people and this has no relation to the action or desires of the .person involved

Such

answers, which are frequently given in order to remove the burden of responsibility, are incorrect. Because they are neither convincing nor do they guide anyone to the .path

Considering the sayings of the household of revelation, we will seek to answer this .question

Allah, the compassionate, calls all people towards spiritual and mental perfection and in His general invitation, rewards all who take steps towards this path. In the same way that the host invites the guests and if they accept the invitation and participate in the gathering, he is hospitable to them, Allah also creates the foundation for man's advancement and perfection within all of mankind and invites them to that path. In the Qur'an it is clearly stated in Surah Ankabut Verse ۶۹

وَ الَّذِيْنَ جَاهَدُوا فِيْنَا لَنَهْدِيَنَّهُمْ سُبُلَنَا

"...And those who strive in Our course We will certainly guide them to Our path"

It is the responsibility of the guests to answer Allah's call and move forward in the .path of spiritual perfection

Therefore within mankind there exists the base for advancement and perfection and they benefit from such blessings but they store it away and do not utilize it. Like the shortsighted wealthy who are at their happiest when they store away as much of their money as possible in the banks and never find the good grace to use such .wealth

In order to be successful, one must use all existent grounds and capabilities and make .up for one's deficiencies so that one can attain one's desired goals

Many people benefit from many natural capabilities, and the ability

to attain spiritual perfection but since they show no interest in such matters they make no use of such capabilities, leave this world and thus their capabilities are also buried deep in the earth. This is similar to the wealthy of yesteryear where they saved their money by hiding it deep in the earth, where neither these nor their families could .benefit from it

In order to make clear how some people have greater mental capacities and better understanding and how they attained them, we will mention some words from the .late Sheikh Hur Amili, one of the great Shi'a scholars

He says, " It is clear that seeing and hearing and the like, are not independent of the eye the ear, etc, but rather, they are just means for the spirit by which it sees and hears etc and because man's spirit is not strong, his seeing and hearing are limited to ".these types of physical apparatus

Therefore he only sees the material and is incapable of grasping the spiritual. But if man's spirit is strengthened and by means of worship, performance of the obligatory acts and abandoning the prohibited, draws close to Allah, his spirit will become strong. When the spirit becomes strong, his power of utilizing the material and what is natural will become stronger. Therefore with his eyes he sees things and with his ears he .hears things that others do not have the power to

This authority and power exists in various people at various degrees. Whoever draws near to Allah by means of

worship and struggle, strengthens his spiritual state, he gets greater power in perceiving the things, which others by using their eyes and ears do not have the .power to do

By this, it is clear why persons such as the late Sheikh Ansari can receive that great blessing but others do not have this power and capacity and those looking on are .incapable of seeing matters as they do

The state of Anticipation in its complete sense brings you the gift of understanding of such matters. Those who are on the path of Anticipation and have developed themselves, with release from their carnal desires and with flight and elevation of spirit, are released from the domination of their (nafs) selves and the attraction of the self loses its power, and they are drawn to Allah. In the same way that spacecrafts which leave the earth's orbit are no longer drawn by the earth's gravity, with the passage of time, you also can release yourself from the pull of carnal desires, the .attraction of the self and satanic temptations will no longer affect you

The companions of the Ahlul Bayt (AS) e.g. Salman were like this. They had been released from the orbit of the self and from the limitations of materialism and as a result formed a relationship with the unseen world. Wilayat and the power that Salman benefited from were because he had moved outside of the orbit of the self and destroyed his desires. He placed the desires and will of Amir al Mu'minin (AS) above

.those of his own and as a consequence benefited from and used unseen powers

Familiarity with the position of Wilayat

Anticipation of the reappearance strengthens the power of Wilayat of the Imam of the Age (AS) in the heart and souls of those in wait and stabilizes and strengthens them concerning this concept that one day next to the house of God (Kabaa) God's power will be revealed by means of that Imam (AS) and the Satanic powers of the world, who are just leeches sucking on the blood of the weak, will receive punishment for their disgraceful actions. And with the rigidity and great power of Wilayat it will be proven and made clear that the person who holds the position of Imamate and .Wilayat can reveal Allah's power

This is the idea and belief of a person in waiting. Therefore the Anticipation of the reappearance accompanies belief, trust and basic knowledge of religion, because Anticipation plants the seeds of knowledge and awareness of the beliefs within the minds of those in waiting and makes them understand that eventually the entire universe will become organized under the domination of the power of Wilayat and the great and unknown power of Wilayat will bring all of the oppressive powers to their knees. The materialistic culture of the world will not stand in the face of the boundless power of divine Wilayat and the universe will come under the control of the amazing .(powers of the world reformer (AS

Familiarity with false claimants .٣

Throughout the history of the Shi'a, many various persons have risen

with claims of the Mahdiat and introduced themselves as leaders and reformers and with such deceit have trampled on the blood, souls and wealth of the people and have even misguided some. But those who are truly in Anticipation and have illuminated themselves with the shining light of Wilayat, are not fooled by these imposters and do .not fall into the traps of these hunters

Their awareness and knowledge of these imposters and thieves lurking on the path is because of their familiarity with the sublime position of the Imamate. Such that they do not sell life water for a mirage and do not choose the usurpers of the Caliphate .over the Imamate

Familiarity with the position of those in Anticipation or the great companions of the .۴ (Imam of the Age (AS

One of the other reasons for people being attracted to the path of Anticipation is familiarity with the position of those in Anticipation and with the great companions of the Imam of the Age (AS). One of the amazing results which Anticipation bestows on those perfect ones is that not only as far as belief and trust is concerned are they learned in the area of the Wilayat of the Ahlul Bayt (AS) but they are also themselves openings for the radiant sun of Wilayat. Meaning that as a result of their perfection relating to the Anticipation of the Imam (AS) as far as they are able, they have acquired special powers from the household of revelation and by using them, perform the responsibilities given

to them. Such persons are the companions of the Imam of the Age (AS) and are in the .forefront of the path of Wilayat

,Consider the words of Allah in the Holy Qur'an

فَاسْتَبِقُوْا الْخَيْرَاتِ اَيْنَ مَا تَكُونُوا يَأتِ بِكُمُ اللهُ جَمِيْعاً

Then strive together (as in a race) towards all the is good. Wheresoever ye are Allah" ".will bring ye together

This verse concerns the ٣١٣ persons among the companions of the Imam (AS) who will be assembled by Allah the Exalted, on the day of his reappearance, next to His house in the presence of the holder of Wilayat so that they can rush to the Imam's (AS) aid .and bring an end to the life of the dark-hearted of the time

Sometimes an important question arises in the minds of some: what is the reason for their being ahead in righteousness? What virtues do the ٣١٣ persons among the leading companions of Hazrat Mahdi (AS) possess which sets them ahead of others ?and allows them to enjoy such a high position

We will turn to the school of thought of revelation and seek the answer. Hazrat Imam ,Baqir (AS) in the exegesis of the verse, which has been mentioned, said the following

اَلْخَيْرَاتُ: اَلْوِلاَيَهُ لَنَا اَهْل البَيْتِ

The meaning of the righteousness mentioned in the verse is the Wilayat which is of us ".the Ahlul Bayt

Signs of their power

The more man struggles in the acceptance of Wilayat, the more he strengthens his spirit and his extraordinary powers increase accordingly, to such an extent that due to the effect of his

spiritual powers he can govern over the physical and even non-physical beings. We .will now mention an interesting story from the late Allameh Bahrululum

The late Allameh Sayyid Bahrululum suffered from palpitations of the heart and with such a disease left Najaf for Karbala on a warm summer day, in order to perform one of the special pilgrimages of Abi Abdullah Hussein (AS). People were surprised as to how he set off on a journey with such a disease in such warm weather!! Among his traveling companions was the late Sheikh Hussein Najaf who was one of the famous scholars of Sayyid's time. Upon alighting their animals they set off. Clouds appeared and provided them with shade. A cool breeze was also blowing and the weather became so cool that it was as though they were in a cool place. The clouds continued to shade them until they arrived at Khanshur. There an associate of that great scholar Sheikh Hussein Najaf appeared and he was separated from Sheikh Bahrululum and began to converse with his friend. That cloud spread shade on Sayyid'a head until he entered the inn. Since the heat of the sun's rays shone down upon Sheikh Hussein Najaf, his health wavered and he fell from his animal unto the ground. And due to his .old age or ill health he fell unconscious

They took him to the late Sheikh Sayyid Bahrululum in the inn. When he regained ,consciousness he said to Sayyid

سيدنا لمن لم تدركنا الرحمه؟

Why did not this mercy spread to me

,Sayyid replied

لم تخلّفتم عنها؟

Why did you violate this"

"?mercy

.This answer contains a sensitive veil

The power of control of the special companions of the Imam of the Age (AS) is such that. Some of the ۳۱۳ special companions of the Imam (AS) use secret clouds and at the beginning of the reappearance by this means take themselves to the Imam's (AS) .presence

قَالَ اَبُوْعَبْدِاللهِ(ع): اِذَا اُذِنَ الاِمَامُ دَعَا اللهَ بِاِسْمِهِ الْعَبْرَانِیّ فَاُتِیْحَتْ لَهُ صَحَابَتُه الثَّلاثَمِاَه وَ ثَلاثَه عَشَرَ قَزَعٌ كَقَزَعِ الْخَرِيْفِ وَ هُمْ اَصْحَابُ الاَلْوِيَّه، مِنْهُمْ مَنْ يَفْقُدْ عَنْ فِرَاشِهِ لَيْلاً فَيُصْبِحُ بِمَكّه، وَ مِنْهُمْ مَنْ يَرَى يَسِيْرُ فِي السَّحَابِ نَهَاراً يُعْرَفُ بِاِسِمِهِ وَ اِسْمِ اَبِيْهِ وَ حِلْيَتِهِ وَ نَسَبِهِ، قُلْتُ: جُعِلْتُ فِدَاكَ اَيُّهُمْ اَعْظَمُ اِيْمَاناً؟ قَالَ: الَّذِی يَسِيْرُ فِی السَّحَابِ نَهَاراً وَ هُمْ الْمَفْقُوْدُوْنَ وَ فِيْهِمْ نُزِلَتْ هَذِهِ الآيَه «اَيْنَمَا تَكُوْنُوا يَأتِ بِكُمُ اللهُ جَمِيْعاً»

Imam Sadiq (AS) says, Whenever the Imam (AS) is given permission, he calls Allah by" His Hebrew name and that is when his companions who are ۳۱۳ are prepared. They are clouds like autumn clouds, which join together and assemble in one place and they are flag bearers (of the Mahdi (AS)). Some of them disappear from their sleeping places at night and (appear) in the morning in Mecca, others can be seen traveling on clouds by day and are known by their name, that of their fathers, qualities and families." I said, " Which of these two are greater in faith?" Imam Sadiq (AS) said, "Those who travel by clouds by day, and they are those who disappear from their places and this verse has been

revealed about them. Wheresoever

".ye are, Allah will bring ye together

Familiarity with the Age of Reappearance

Familiarity with the world situation at the time of the reappearance and the great .changes which will occur at that time calls man to the matter of Anticipation

The amazing changes, which will occur all over the world and within man himself, will .change the world and man

١. Inner Purification

Consider a brief explanation of the changes, which will occur deep within man's existence. One of the matters of belief is the discussion of nature and how the pure and impure natures have mixed together. The meaning of this disposition (teenat), why they have become mixed and how they can again become purified are matters discussed in the traditions. A detailed explanation of this matter is not appropriate for our limited discussion; therefore we will only mention the following points. One of the particulars of the time of reappearance is the purification of man's nature, his nafs .and unconscious, of its impurities that exist deep within him

Why do we say that at the time of the reappearance the Imam (AS) will purify people ?of their impurities

Before answering this question, we will mention a story to shed some light on this .issue

Shaybat Ibn Uthman was one of the Holy Prophet's (SAW) archenemies and nurtured the hope of the Prophet's (SAW) murder in his mind. He participated in the Hunayn war so that he could martyr the Prophet (SAW). Just when the people had separated from the prophet (SAW) and he was left alone, Shaybat approached him from

the back but a light shone on him so brightly that he could not bear it and so could not attain his goal. The Holy Prophet (SAW) turned to him and said, " Shaybat come closer." Then the Prophet (SAW) put his hand on his chest, the effect of which was such that the love of the Prophet (SAW) spread through his heart and the Prophet (SAW) became the dearest person to him. After which, in the presence of the Prophet (SAW) he fought against the opposes such that if he had come face to face with his .(own father he would have killed him for the sake of the Prophet (SAW

Consider how in one moment the Prophet's (SAW) blessed hands cleansed the impure nature and unclean nafs of one of the Prophet's (SAW) worst enemies and separated him from the line of the disbelievers and placed him among the army of the Holy Prophet (SAW). The Holy Prophet (SAW) by placing his blessed hand on the man's chest perfected his intellect and because of the changes which occurred within him .saved him from misguidance and deviation

With the citing of this introduction we will embark on the explanation of the period of :reappearance. Imam Baqir (AS) has said

إِذَا قَامَ قَائِمُنَا وَضَعَ يَدَهُ عَلَى رُؤُوْسِ الْعِبَادِ، فَجُمِعَ بِهِ عُقُوْلُهُمْ وَ اَكْمَلَ بِهِ اَخْلاَقُهُمْ

When our Qa'im (AS) (the living one) begins his uprising he will place his hand on the" heads of Allah's servants. By this act he will bring their intellects together (as a result of

”.which they will become perfect) and perfect their morals

The Imam of the Age (AS) by such actions perfects the inner dimensions of man and .saves all of Allah’s servants from impurities

Perfection of intellects at the time of the reappearance .٢

.Here we will explain ٢ interesting points of the tradition

Not only does the Baqiatullah (AS) pace his hand on the heads of his companions .١ and helpers but also on the heads of all of Allah’s servants. Meaning that all of those who accept Allah’s servitude on that day, even though in war they may not be among the Imam’s (AS) companions, namely the aged and children, they will still benefit from .that great blessing

The intellects of all people will be saved and all will have complete concentration .٢ and perception, which will become the sources of exceptional knowledge and understanding. Perfection of their intellectual powers means that they will be able to use all of their mental capabilities. Yes, on the day that the divine hand will be placed on the heads of the people of the world and caresses the people who suffered during the period of occultation, as a result of perfect intellects, hidden and secret powers become manifest within the minds of man and he will attain the highest levels of .practical and scientific excellence

So that we can become more familiar with the spiritual power and the amazing effect of perfect intellects we will discuss the great capacities of the brain. “Every person, be he genius or the average person, does not

utilize more than one millionth of his brain capacity throughout his life. If only one millionth of the brain's capacity and ability is used, the difference between a genius and an average person is not quantitative but rather qualitative." Meaning that even geniuses that have amazing powers of perception can only use one millionth of their brain and no more. But the way that they utilize that one millionth of their brain is .better than others

Years before one of the contemporary mathematicians created a ruckus and" presented people with some interesting information. He hypothesized that the human brain is capable of storing ١٠ units of information. If we express this number in simple words it will mean that every one of us can memorize all of the information of the millions of books at the world's largest library in Moscow. The above words, at first ".glance, are as amazing as the calculations used to prove it

Consider this, when the power of man's brain reaches its peak as a result of the rays of shining light of the world reformer (AS) and man uses all of his brain power, not only one millionth of it and knowledge encompasses the world and a new civilization is ?developed, how will the world be

When man, as a result of perfect intellect, discovers ways of using his hidden spiritual powers and benefits from them, he can make his physical body obey his spirit and attain tarawuh power. Meaning that he can change his body into energy and waves and can

control his physical and mental state. Man then becomes capable of many .extraordinary acts which at the time would appear normal

During the time of the occultation a very few who would have the power of ‘traversing the earth’ will use this method and by controlling both their mental and physical states, change their state into energy and waves and at any moment can appear at any part of the world. With the power that they are endowed with they can guide .themselves anywhere that they chose and appear there in bodily form

The Great Changes On the Earth .٣

During the period of reappearance there will be great changes in the world, as the :Holy Qur’an says

يَوْمَ تُبَدَّلُ الاَرْضُ غَيْرَ الاَرْضِ

”.One day the earth will be changed to another earth“

The earth will be changed and its conditions and situations will become new, not only .the earth rather time will also find new meaning

Today all the scholars agree that matter vibrates. Vibrations can be transmitted to“ the farthest points by cables or sound waves e.g. in pictures and sounds. Therefore the human organism, which is made of matter, can be changed to vibrations and by electronic means, be sent to any part of the universe. In my opinion, in the not too distant future, even before trips to outer space, methods will be discovered whereby the human body can be converted into vibrations and sent to outer space where its .small particles can be reassembled

Now you dear readers can be the judges, man is made of a spirit

and his physical body is nothing but concentrated particles of matter, which can be .shaped into desired forms by slowing down or lowering its vibrations

One day we will witness, with our own eyes, that man will change his own body into electronic waves so that after this it can be transferred to a far off place and there the ".constituent atoms of the body can be reassembled

According to the universal excellence of intellectual powers, which has been explained in the traditions, the spirit will dominate over the material and people will govern over their physical bodies and will be able to use this condition to its fullest. During those .unknown magnificent days, people's lives and needs for the material will be different

In the light of the magnificence of Wilayat of the Ahlul Bayt (AS), man's knowledge will reach the highest excellence possible and he will be able to easily benefit from all levels of knowledge and the secrets that the saints of Allah were not able to reveal to the people because of their unpreparedness until that time, will be revealed and man will become aware of the intriguing world both within himself and in the outside world. .The path towards training and final perfection will be opened to them

It may be difficult for us to accept such matters and such scientific advancements but at the same time we know that the freeing of the human brain from ignorance and Satan's prison means that he will be complete in all dimensions such that there will

.be no secrets left in the world and all the complicated scientific matters will divulged

Hazrat Amir al Mu'minin (AS) has said, " The usurpers of the Caliphate have prevented millions of people from reaching the highest position of knowledge and excellence, ,the shining light of Wilayat." He adds the following

يَا كُمَيْلُ، مَا مِنْ عِلْمٍ اِلّا وَ اَنَا اَفْتَحُهُ وَ مَا مِنْ سِرٍّ اِلّا وَ الْقَائِمُ يَخْتِمُهُ

O Kumayl, there is no knowledge which I do not reveal and no secret which the Qa'im" ".does not bring to an end

Yes, when the luminous light of the blessed hands of the great Baqiatullah (AS) perfects the minds of the oppressed and suffering of the world, and creates the ability for man to use his extraordinary powers, man can accept the secrets of the life-endowing school of thought of the "Household of Revelation" with all of his intellectual and perceptive powers and not just with one millionth of it. Thus allowing man to .reach the highest level of knowledge and perfection

During those splendid days, hidden secrets will be disclosed and there will be no signs of the darkness and gloom of this period. Does not the Anticipation of such a day ?please your heart

Conclusion

Anticipation is the state of hope and salvation, which seeks out those in wait, in the dark period of the occultation from the whirlpool of perplexity and takes them to the .valley of light and purity

Anticipation provides the melancholy with new life and new energy, also provides hope to the depressed hearts, and nurtures the

.idea of a world full of happiness and light in the minds of mankind

Anticipation seeks out the righteous ones and makes them blessed and exudes a beautiful luminous light. Anticipation removes hindrances and the veil of darkness and creates an incandescent light within the human beings who have achieved perfection. It brings into fruition the seed of knowledge and understanding of original Shi'ism within the hearts of those in wait, and presents the most perfect spiritual state to the .most virtuous people

If you want to establish the state of Anticipation within yourself, draw near to the glorious Wilayat and become aware of the remarkable effects of Anticipation and by investigating the condition of those in this state gain knowledge of their virtues and qualities. Also you can discover the greatness of the period of the reappearance of Baqiatullah (AS) so that unconsciously the feeling of the Anticipation of that marvelous .day will engulf your entire being

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?Are those who know equal to those who do not know

al-Zumar: ۹

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